Minutes of the Puerto Rican Bar Association of New Jersey Meeting held on December 4, 1980.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Puerto Rican Bar Association of New Jersey was held on December 4, 1980 at 6:00 P.M. at the Mutual Benefit Life Building at 520 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey. Present were:

Margarita Echevarria - President
Hector De Soto - Vice President
Zaida Torres - Treasurer
Griselle Camacho Pagán - Board Member
Federico Velez - " "
Carmen González Brauman - Secretary
Severiano Lisboa - Board Member

Puerto Rican Bar Association questionnaire on the issues that ~~this~~ we should address in 1981 was reviewed & revised. It was then accorded that the questionnaire should be sent with a cover letter to all N. J. Hispanic attorney for their opinion. The cover letter was also to include a ~~[illegible]~~ synopsis of the November 21, 1979 Cocktail-Meeting Conference. The questionnaire was to be answered before January 10, 1980.

The Board then discussed if Category I (active membership) allows any person to be a voting member ~~no matter~~ indepent of the jurisdiction they are admitted to practice. It was suggested that Category I should state that: "active Member should be a member of a Bar of a State or Territory"

Mrs. Echevarria ~~then~~ offered a motion to table the discussion on the definition of "Member" for further study.

Mrs. Echevarria, then, reminded the Board members of Mr. Joseph Rodriguez offer to give a conference on "Trial Techniques".

Miscellaneous

1- The Board ~~then~~ discussed the letter head format of the association and it was decided that the State of New Jersey be outlined in the background. Mr. Hector De Soto would handle this matter

2 - Mrs Echevarria ~~also~~ advised us that ~~they have filed~~ we applied for the ~~application for~~ tax exemption status ~~was filed~~ + that form SS4 - Employer Identification + ~~has to be filed~~ form 1024 - recognition of exemption had to be filed ~~with a copy of the Treasurer's report~~

~~Zaida Josefina Torres announced that~~

3- N.J. Bell contributed $150.00 for the November 21, 1979, cocktail & it was decided that Mrs Echevarria would acknowledge the contribution with a letter to N.J. Bell

She also stated that

4- Freddie Caraballo - raised the issue of whether practicing in New Jersey included teaching in N.J.

5- After discussion, ~~It~~ it was decided that the agenda of the General assembly should include ~~the amendment of by laws~~ the the possibility of amending the By Laws on the issue of whether Law Students should be paying the same dues as Law Graduates.

Treasurer's Report

Total Receipts $750.00

Membership Dues –	$540.00	
N J Bell Contribution –	150.00	
Oliveras Contribution –	30.00	
Zulema Parker's Contribution – who did not join the association	30.00	
	$750.00	

Less Bartender's Fee for November 21, 1979 Activity	140.00
TOTAL in Bank as of December 4, 1980	$610.00

Less Total Owed by Association:

Incorporation Papers – Federico Velez	$55.00	
Box Office Rental – Zaida J Torres	22.00	
Margarita – Misc.	6.82	
Sandwiches (Nov. 21, 1979 activity)	80.00	163.82
TOTAL		446.18

Total Expenses on Nov. 21, 1979 Activity

Bartender	$140.00
Sandwiches	80.00
Misc	6.82
	226.82

Association Members – 33 Members

22 –	Active Members I (admitted more than 2 years)	$30.00	—	$660.00
4 –	" " II (admitted less than 2 years)	20.00	–	80.00
3 –	Law Students	15.00	–	45.00
4 –	Law Graduates	15.00	–	60.00
				$845.00

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Active I Members 5 owe	$30.00	—	$150.00	
" I " Gus [illegible]	$15.00	–	15.00	
Julco Sanchez owes	$10.00	–	10.00	
Rafael Aloma Sabas owes	$20.00	–	20.00	$195.00
Active II Members – 1 owes	20.00	–		20.00
Law Students – 2 owe	15.00	–	30.00	30.00
Law Graduates – 2 owe	15.00	–		30.00
Total Membership Dues Owed		—		$275.00
" Dues Paid				570.00
				$845.00

The authorized signatures in the Bank acct. are Zaida Josefina Torres & Margarita Echevarria

The Treasurer's report was then accepted.

At 8:40PM the meeting was adjourned